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In re Patent Application of:

Ka-Ngo LEUNG

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Examiner: Rakesh K. Dhingra

COMMENT ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Dear Sir:

There is concurrence with those portions of the issued Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance that in substance reflect that cited references fail to teach, disclose, or suggest, either alone or in combination subject matter recited in allowed claims. Such concurrence also extends to the facts that no allowed claim, in its entirety, reads on any cited reference of record or any permissible combination of such references.

To the extent that the stated reasons for allowance in their entirety or in any other context are asserted in any fashion to contradict or in any way to modify the prior prosecution record for

this application, such assertion is traversed. The prior prosecution record here stands on its own, and as such is complete in providing an adequate record supporting allowance of the pending claims and also in providing for interpretation of such now allowed claims.

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Respectfully submitted,

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